

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1562 without my signature.

Existing state and federal law protects employees from termination due to a single wage garnishment. This bill would prohibit an employer from terminating an employee because garnishment of the employee's wages has been threatened or the employee's wages have been subjected to garnishment for the payment of five or fewer judgments at any one time.

This bill is similar to legislation I vetoed last year. While this measure is potentially less burdensome than last year's bill, this measure would still require California employers to engage in additional time-consuming, costly administrative processes.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger